

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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WIDENING OF ROADS IN PUNJAB
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to undertake the works of widening roads in Punjab during 2003-04;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the funds allocated for the purpose; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJOR GENERAL (RETD KHANDUR)]

(a) to (c) This Ministry is responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways. Four laning of following stretches of NHs passing through or located in Punjab is targeted to be undertaken during 2003-04:

- (i) Km 387 to 407 of NH 1 in Jalandhar-Amritsar section.
- (ii) Km 26 to 117 of NH 1A in Jalandhar-Pathankot section

Funds for the four-laning will be allocated from the resources available with NHAI on award of the work.

The stretches of NH 21 from Chandigarh to Kiratpur and NH22 from Ambala to Kalka passing through Punjab have also been identified for examining feasibility for four laning with private sector participation and for four laning of the stretch of NH 1 from Jalandhar to Wagha border excluding Km 387 to 407, various alternatives of funding are under consideration. It is, however, too early to indicate whether four laning of these stretches will be taken up in 2003-04.